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(PATENT)

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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In re Patent Application of:  
Engelbert ECKER et al.

Application No.: 10/583,963

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Filed: March 21, 2007

Art Unit: 1792

For: METHOD AND ARRANGEMENT FOR THE  
ENERGY-SAVING OPERATION OF  
DISHWASHERS

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**THIRD REQUEST FOR CORRECTED NOTIFICATION OF ACCEPTANCE**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Attached hereto is the Notification of Acceptance in connection with the above-identified application.

**THE FOLLOWING CORRECTION(S) ARE RESPECTFULLY REQUESTED:**

DATE OF RECEIPT OF ALL 35 U.S.C. § 371 REQUIREMENTS:

Change From: "3/24/2007"

To: --3/21/2007--

As evidence of Applicant's previous submission of all filing Requirements in connection with the present application, enclosed are copies of the Letter Submitting Additional Documents for Entering National Phase for a PCT Application, the Declaration and Power of Attorney, and the USPTO Acknowledgement Receipt indicating receipt of the Declaration and Power of Attorney by the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

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It is respectfully requested that the United States Patent and Trademark Office forward a new Notification of Acceptance to the undersigned attorney showing the corrections.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Dated:

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Respectfully submitted,

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**CONFIRMATION NO. 1540**  
**371 ACCEPTANCE LETTER**



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Date Mailed: 03/10/2009

**NOTICE OF ACCEPTANCE OF APPLICATION UNDER 35 U.S.C 371 AND 37 CFR 1.495**

The applicant is hereby advised that the United States Patent and Trademark Office in its capacity as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495), has determined that the above identified international application has met the requirements of 35 U.S.C. 371, and is ACCEPTED for national patentability examination in the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

The United States Application Number assigned to the application is shown above and the relevant dates are:

03/21/2007  
DATE OF RECEIPT OF 35 U.S.C. 371(c)(1),  
(c)(2) and (c)(4) REQUIREMENTS

~~03/24/2007~~ 3/21/2007  
DATE OF COMPLETION OF ALL  
35 U.S.C. 371 REQUIREMENTS

A Filing Receipt (PTO-103X) will be issued for the present application in due course. **THE DATE APPEARING ON THE FILING RECEIPT AS THE " FILING DATE" IS THE DATE ON WHICH THE LAST OF THE 35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(1), (c)(2) and (c)(4) REQUIREMENTS HAS BEEN RECEIVED IN THE OFFICE. THIS DATE IS SHOWN ABOVE.** The filing date of the above identified application is the international filing date of the international application (Article 11(3) and 35 U.S.C. 363). Once the Filing Receipt has been received, send all correspondence to the Group Art Unit designated thereon.

The following items have been received:

- Copy of the International Application filed on 06/21/2006
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 06/21/2006
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 06/21/2006
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 06/21/2006
- Oath or Declaration filed on 03/21/2007
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 06/21/2006
- Priority Documents filed on 06/21/2006

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

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**Acknowledgement Receipt**

The USPTO has received your submission at **18:06:48** Eastern Time on **21-MAR-2007**.

No fees have been paid for this submission. Please remember to pay any required fees on time to prevent abandonment of your application.

**eFiled Application Information**

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**Application Details**

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New Applications Under 35 U.S.C. 111

If a new application is being filed and the application includes the necessary components for a filing date (see 37 CFR 1.53(b)-(d) and MPEP 506), a Filing Receipt (37 CFR 1.54) will be issued in due course and the date shown on this Acknowledgement Receipt will establish the filing date of the application.

National Stage of an International Application under 35 U.S.C. 371

If a timely submission to enter the national stage of an international application is compliant with the conditions of 35 U.S.C. 371 and other applicable requirements a Form PCT/DO/EO/903 indicating acceptance of the application as a national stage submission under 35 U.S.C. 371 will be issued in addition to the Filing Receipt, in due course.

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**LETTER SUBMITTING ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS FOR ENTERING NATIONAL  
PHASE FOR A PCT APPLICATION**

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Sir:

Under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.495, attached hereto are the following additional items necessary for entering the national phase in connection with the above-identified PCT international application.

- ☐ Attached is a copy of the Notification of Missing Requirements (371 Formalities Letter).
- ☒ Attached is the Executed Declaration and Power of Attorney ☒ Original ☐ Photocopy.
- ☐ The specification attached to the executed Declaration and Power of Attorney is a true copy of the specification that was filed in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on June 21, 2006, including any amendments thereto (if applicable) filed on even date therewith.
- ☐ The undersigned hereby declares that "Attorney Docket No. 4266-0123PUS1" on page 1 of the attached Inventors' Declaration corresponds to Appl. No. 10/583,963 filed

June 21, 2006 entitled "METHOD AND ARRANGEMENT FOR THE ENERGY-SAVING OPERATION OF DISHWASHERS."

- ☐ Attached is an English language translation of the above-identified application that was filed in a foreign language, which should be used as the copy for examination purposes.

See the attached Translator's Verification; or

The undersigned states that the English translation attached hereto is a true and correct translation of the application as originally filed in a foreign language.

- ☐ Attached are @@@ sheet(s) of drawings. Please substitute these replacement drawings for the corresponding @@@ sheet(s) of drawings on file in the above-identified application.
- ☐ Attached are substitute claims commencing on a separate sheet in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.75(h).
- ☐ Attached is a substitute abstract commencing on a separate sheet in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.72(b).
- ☐ Attached is a substitute specification that complies with 37 C.F.R. § 1.52. The substitute specification does not contain new matter.
- ☐ Attached is a preliminary amendment.
- ☐ Applicant claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27.
- ☐ Attached is a Supplemental Application Data Sheet (ADS).
- ☒ Submitted concurrently herewith under separate cover for recording is an Assignment.
- ☐ Attached is a Petition for Extension of Time.

- ☒ The Government Filing Surcharge for late filing of oath and/or declaration in the amount of \$130.00 in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.494 and 1.492 was previously paid for concurrently with the filing of the application on June 21, 2006.
- ☐ Attached hereto is the fee transmittal listing the required fees.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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